



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

BRIGADIER GENERAL JOHN N.T. "JACK" SHANAHAN

Brigadier General Shanahan is the Commander, 55th Wing, Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska. He is responsible for organizing, equipping and training six groups and 30 squadrons executing worldwide reconnaissance, intelligence, information warfare, command and control, presidential support and treaty verification missions. He is also responsible for base support to 90 associate units, including U.S. Strategic Command, Air Force Weather Agency, and more than 57,000 active-duty members, civilians, family members and retirees.

General Shanahan graduated from the University of Michigan in 1984 and received his commission that same year as a Distinguished Graduate of the Air Force Reserve Officers' Training Corps. He graduated as a Distinguished Graduate from Undergraduate Navigator Training and received his wings in June 1985. General Shanahan is a Distinguished Graduate of the Air Force Squadron Officer School, the USAF Weapons Instructor Course, the College of Naval Command and Staff, and the National War College. General Shanahan is a Master Navigator with over 2,600 flying hours, primarily in the F-4D/E/G and F-15E. He is authorized to wear the basic intelligence occupational badge.



EDUCATION

- 1984 University of Michigan - Bachelor of Science Degree (With Distinction) in Chemistry, Ann Arbor, Mich.
- 1990 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 1996 College of Naval Command and Staff - Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies (Co-winner, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Essay Contest) Naval War College, Newport, R.I.
- 2001 National War College - Master of Science Degree in National Security Strategy (Commandant's Award for Excellence in Writing), Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
- 2006 Program for Senior Executive Fellows, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.
- 2007 Air Force Senior Leadership Course, Center for Creative Leadership, Greensboro, N.C.
- 2008 Air Force Enterprise Leadership Seminar, University of North Carolina Kenan-Flagler Business School, Chapel Hill, N.C.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. November 1984 - June 1985: Student, Undergraduate Navigator Training, 451st Flying Training Squadron,

Cambridge, Mass.

2007 Air Force Senior Leadership Course, Center for Creative Leadership, Greensboro, N.C.

2008 Air Force Enterprise Leadership Seminar, University of North Carolina Kenan-Flagler Business School, Chapel Hill, N.C.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. November 1984 - June 1985: Student, Undergraduate Navigator Training, 451st Flying Training Squadron, Mather AFB, Calif.
2. June 1985 - June 1986: Student, F-4 Operational Training Course, 308th Tactical Fighter Training Squadron, Homestead AFB, Fla.
3. June 1986 - June 1989: F-4E/G Instructor Weapons System Officer, 90th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Clark Air Base, Philippines
4. June 1989 - February 1991: F-4E Instructor Weapons System Officer and Standardization and Evaluation Flight Examiner, 334th Tactical Fighter Squadron, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C.
5. February 1991 - June 1991: Student, F-15E Transition Course, 550th Tactical Fighter Training Squadron, Luke AFB, Ariz.
6. July 1991 - July 1993: F-15E Instructor Weapons System Officer and Standardization and Evaluation Flight Examiner, 334th Fighter Squadron, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C.
7. July 1993 - December 1993: Student, F-15E USAF Weapons Instructor Course, Nellis AFB, Nev.
8. December 1993 - July 1995: F-15E Chief of Weapons and Tactics, 334th Fighter Squadron, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C.
9. July 1995 - June 1996: Student, College of Naval Command and Staff, Newport, R.I.
10. September 1996 - September 1997: Theater Battle Management Flight Commander, 607th Combat Operations Squadron, Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea
11. September 1997 - October 1998: Operations Officer, USAF Weapons School F-15E Division, Nellis AFB, Nev.
12. October 1998 - July 2000: Commander, USAF Weapons School Support Division, Nellis AFB, Nev.
13. August 2000 - June 2001: Student, National War College, Washington, D.C.
14. June 2001 - August 2003: Chief, Regional Exercise Branch, J3 Operations Directorate, Headquarters U.S. States Pacific Command, Camp Smith, Hawaii
15. December 2003 - May 2005: Commander, 480th Intelligence Group, Langley AFB, Va.
16. May 2005 - August 2007: Senior Military Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
17. August 2007 - April 2009: Commander, 505th Command and Control Wing, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
18. April 2009 - present, Commander, 55th Wing, Offutt AFB, Neb.

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Master Navigator

Flight Hours: More than 2,600

Aircraft flown: F-4D/E/G, F-15E

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

Outstanding Academic Instructor, USAFWS F-15E Division, Nellis AFB, Nev. - 2000

Outstanding Instructor Weapons System Officer, USAFWS F-15E Division, Nellis AFB, Nev.- 1999

Warrior of the Year, 4th Wing, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C. - 1994

Top Academic Graduate, USAFWS F-15E Course, Nellis AFB, Nev. - 1993

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Superior Service Medal

Legion of Merit (one Oak Leaf Cluster)

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Air Force Meritorious Service Medal (two Oak Leaf Clusters)

Air Medal

Aerial Achievement Medal (four Oak Leaf Clusters)

Air Force Commendation Medal

Combat Readiness Medal (two Oak Leaf Clusters)
National Defense Service Medal with one Bronze Service Star
Southwest Asia Service Medal with one Bronze Service Star
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
Korean Defense Service Medal
Kuwait Liberation Medal (Kuwait)

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant Sep 2, 1984
First Lieutenant Sep 2, 1986
Captain Sep 2, 1988
Major Dec 1, 1995
Lieutenant Colonel Sep 1, 1998
Colonel Jul 1, 2003
Brigadier General Jun 26, 2009

(Current as of June 2009)